संबंधी योजना को क्रियान्वित करने के लिये मध्य प्रदेश सरकार को कितनी वित्तीय सहायता दी गई है ;

(ख) विभिन्न राज्यों को यह सहायता किस आधार पर दी जाती है ;

(ग) क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार को यह जानकारी है कि कानूनी सहायता के लिये पर्याप्त आबंटन के अभाव में, इस योजना का क्रियान्वयन उचित रूप से नहीं हो पा रहा है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस प्रयोजनार्थ पर्याप्त धनराशि उपलब्ध कराने के लिये सरकार द्वारा क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं?

विधि और न्याय मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री हंसराज भारद्वाज) : (क) इस प्रयोजन के लिए मध्य प्रदेश सरकार को कोई वित्तीय सहायता नहीं दी गई है । किन्तु मध्य प्रदेश विधिक सहायता और सलाह बोर्ड को 1987-88 के दौरान 1,00,000/- रुपए की रकम दी गई थी ।

(ख) राज्य विधिक सहायता और सलाह बोर्डों को उनके अनुरोध पर उनके कार्यकरण की अपेक्षाओं को ध्यान में रखते हुए वित्तीय सहायता दी जाती है।

(ग) और (घ) राज्य विधिक सहायता और सलाह बोर्ड ने सूचित किया है कि विधिक सहायता स्कीम उनके राज्य में समुचित रूप से कार्यान्वित की जा रही है।

Package of Banking Programme for Rural Development

1045. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that he had recently announced a package of banking programme intended to speed up rural development;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the details of the loans so far provided by the banks under this programme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) The Hon. Member is presumably referring to the Service Area Approach in which a group of 15—25 villages would be allotted to a rural and semi-urban bank branch with a view to bring about an orderly and planned disbursement of credit. The work of allocation of villages to bank branches commenced in April, 1988 and has been completed Under this approach, bank branches will have to first conduct a survey of the villages allotted to it and prepare village profiles indicating the types of activities carried on in their service area and having potential for lending. On the basis of village profiles branches will prepare Annual Credit Plans for lending for different identified activities, keeping in view the infrastructural and other facilities available and proposed to be created. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has issued guidelines to banks for commencing lending under Service Area Approach from 1-4-1989. Hence, the question of providing details of loans provided by banks under this approach does not arise.

Share of Kerala from the Central Sales Tax

1046. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the share of Kerala from the Central Sales Tax for the years 1987-88, 1988-89; and

(b) whether any amount is due to the State in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) As per section 9(3) of the Central Sales Tax Act, 1956, any tax levied and collected under the Act is assigned to and retained in full by the States including Kerala. As such, no share of Central Sales Tax is prescribed in respect of any State.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Agricultural Finance Corporation

1047. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Agricultral Finance Corporation has entered into contracts for preparing rural development projects in Nepal; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) The Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC) has entered into a contract with Asian Development Bank, to provide consultancy services, for preparing an Integrated Rural Development Project in Nepal. The scope of the Study would broadly include:

(i) Development of indicators to evaluate impact of sagarmatha Integrated Rural Development Project (SIRDP).

(ii) Preparation of resource inventory of the project area.

(iii) Completion of reconnaissance survey.

(iv) Determination of potential for development and examination of various constraints.

(v) Designing of a comprehensive integrated rural development project.

Looting of Passengers in Calcutta Mail

1048. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that passengers travelling in the first class compartment of 1 Down Calcutta Mail were looted between Chalisgaon and Jalgaon at midnight of the 26th January, 1989 although there were five armed guards in the train;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Sarvashri S. G. Malushwary and R. G. Shrivastva, the two passengers travelling in the train lost their baggage worth Rs. 31,000/- and Rs 3000 respectively;

(c) whether it is also a fact that although the matter was reported by the passengers concerned at Jalgaon, the complaint was recorded only at Bhusaval at about 4.00 A.M.; and

(d) what steps have been taken to trace the culprits and recover the stolen goods?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The Government of Maharashtra have informed that a theft was committed at about 0230 Hrs. on 26-1-1989 between Pachora and Maheji and that five Policemen of Bombay Railway district were on patrolling duty on the said train.

(b) According to the same report S/Shri Ramgopal Maheshwari G. D. Panda and Shrivastava lost their baggage worth Rs. 19,000, Rs. 1500 and Rs. 2000 respectively.

(c) It has been reported that the offence was not reported at Jalgaon;